

PRESENT PERFECT SIMPLE, PRESENT PERFECT CONTINUOUS

1. Fill in the correct form (Present Perfect Simple or Present Perfect Continuous).

- a. I _____ (practise) the piano for 30 minutes.
- b. How many times _____ (I / tell) you?
- c. Bob _____ (run) 10 km. That's why he is exhausted.
- d. He _____ (not / speak) on the phone for half an hour, just a couple of minutes.
- e. The children _____ (be) on holiday for six days.
- f. The dog _____ (bark) since midnight.
- g. We _____ (know / not) them for a long time.
- h. We _____ (miss) the bus twice this week.
- i. How often _____ (clean / you) the windows this year?
- j. You (eat / not) _____ up yet.
- k. How long _____ (wait / she) for us?
- l. How many months _____ (take / you) piano lessons?
- m. _____ (stay / you / ever) in a castle?
- n. They _____ (work / not) since 5 o'clock. They started an hour ago.
- o. She _____ (hang / not) up all the pictures yet.
- p. We _____ (always/hate) rush hour traffic.
- q. Lucy is exhausted these days. She _____ (work) too hard.
- r. I'm tired and out of breath. I _____ (exercise).
- s. He _____ (see) the film 'The King's Speech' about six times.
- t. She _____ (forget) how to get to my house.
- u. She _____ (promise) to help many times, but she has never come.
- v. The kitchen floor is covered with mud! What _____ (the children/do)?
- w. We _____ (write) this book for months and months.

2. Fill in the correct form (Present Perfect Simple or Present Perfect Continuous).

Tom: Hi Ana. I _____ (try) to ring you several times today. Where (you / be) ?

Ana: I _____ (be) at home all the time. But I _____ (clean) the house all day, so maybe I didn't hear the phone ring.

Tom: _____ (you / clean) everything now?

Ana: No, not yet. I _____ (tidy / not) up the kitchen yet. But why are you here?

Tom: Don't you remember? Jane _____ (invite) us to her birthday party and we _____ (buy / not) a present for her yet.

Ana: Oh, that's right. _____ (you / find out /) yet what she wants?

Tom: Well, she _____ (learn) Spanish for a year and wants to spend her next holiday in Mexico. Maybe we could get her a guide book.

Ana: That's a good idea. There is a good bookshop in the big shopping centre. I _____ (see) some nice books about Mexico there recently.

3. Fill in the correct form (Present Perfect Simple or Present Perfect Continuous).

1. Daughter: Mum, Jane _____ (phone / just) to ask if I will go to the cinema with her. May I?
2. Mother: _____ (you / do) your homework yet?
3. Daughter: Well, I _____ (do) it for about 2 hours now, but I _____ (finish / not) it yet.
4. Mother: If you _____ (not complete) your homework, you cannot go. School comes first. Remember, you _____ (promise) me to study harder this year.
5. Daughter: But mum, I _____ (work) really hard this year and I _____ (already improve) in Maths and Chemistry.
6. Mother: But that's only because I _____ (push / always) you to do something.
7. Daughter: But I also need a break some time. Look, I _____ (be / not) to the cinema for two months. May I go? Just this once.
9. Frank _____ (fail) his driving test 4 times! Recently he _____ (practise) a lot and he should pass it the next time he takes it!
10. Scotland yard _____ (look for) the murder for two weeks now. Unfortunately they (be able/find) any suspects.
11. I can't believe it! It _____ (rain) all day.
12. He _____ (do) his housework all day but he _____ (not finish) yet.
13. It smells like fish in here. - Well that's no surprise. I _____ (cook) fish stew.
14. George _____ (play) golf since 9 o'clock this morning. He _____ (play) 18 holes.
15. Jack _____ (just/go) to the bank. He should be back soon.
16. I _____ (wait) to sell my stocks for the past 3 weeks. Unfortunately they _____ (fall) over 15 points this morning so I certainly won't sell today!
17. Why are you so red? - Well I _____ (sunbathe).
18. Do you think anything _____ (happen) to Tom? We _____ (wait) for him for a long time now.
19. She _____ (read) Stephen King's latest novel for the past 4 days. She _____ (read) every novel he _____ (ever/write).
20. What _____ (you/do)? I _____ (look for) you for ages!
21. They _____ (drive) over 300 miles today.
22. Jack _____ (already/eat) so he won't be joining us for lunch.
23. Excuse me. Where _____ (be)?